

Combined Defence Services Examination (Overview)

(A) Tentative Schedule: (Examination held twice a year)

(i) Notification of Examination	August and March
(ii) Conduct of Examination	February and August

(B) Age-limits:

19-24 Years	Indian Military Academy
19-22 Years	Naval Academy
19-23 Years	Air Force Academy
19-25 Years	Officers' Training Academy

(C) Educational Qualifications:

IMA & OTA	Degree of a recognized University or equivalent
Naval Academy	B.Sc. with Physics & Mathematics or Bachelor of Engg
Air Force Academy	B.Sc. with Physics and/or Mathematics or Bachelor of Engg

Candidates appearing at the degree or equivalent examination also eligible to compete. Such candidates will be required to submit the proof of passing the requisite qualifying examination by a date to be specified in the Commission's Notice for the Examination.

(D) Scheme of Examination:

Written Examination		
(a) For Indian Military Academy Naval Academy and Air Force Academy	1. English (Objective type)	100 Marks
	2. General Knowledge (Objective type)	100 Marks
	3. Elementary Mathematics (Objective type)	100 Marks
	Total	300 Marks
(b) For Officers' Training Academy	1. English (Objective type)	100 Marks
	2. General Knowledge (Objective type)	100 Marks
	Total	200 Marks

Marks for SSB Interviews	
IMA, NA and AFA	300 marks
OTA	200 Marks

NOTE: For further details, please refer to the Commission's Notice for the Examination when it is published in the Employment News and some of the daily newspapers.

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